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Supplementary List

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Forbes & Keith's

Catalogue of

Prize Medal Dahlias

Latest Novelties
and Rare Varieties



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*Awarded Grand Prize
at
Panama - Pacific International Exposition
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To our Customers:--

In presenting this Supplementary List, we especially call your attention to the latest novelties, and choicest varieties contained therein. These are in addition to our general catalogue sent heretofore. **If it has been lost or mislaid, kindly advise and we will forward another.** There is evidence that the new introductory of American origin, are fast superseding those of Europe, and only the future can predict what wonderful strides will be made along these lines. Fifteen years ago, a six inch flower was considered phenomenal and a rarity, but by wonderful hybridization, the size has been increased to nine and ten inches. Our American product being thoroughly acclimated both by soil, and climate conditions, thrive better, grow larger and are superior in many ways. We feel confident that our customers will feel well repaid with a trial of some of these new varieties. The stock being extremely limited, we advise you to order early. Our exhibit of Prize Medal Dahlias was awarded the Grand Prize at the Panama Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, California in 1915, and we intend to still improve our Collection by the addition of every novelty of Superior Merit.

Most Respectfully Yours,

FORBES & KEITH.



Cactus



Width of Vase $3\frac{3}{4}$

The Denison

The Denison. (Our own introduction.) This fine American seedling was first shown at the Massachusetts Horticultural Society Exhibition, Boston, Mass., on Sept. 8, 1911 where it received a First Class Certificate of Merit.

On September 19, 1911, it was shown at the American Institute of New York, and was awarded The Certificate of Merit. This Variety won the Silver Medal at the Panama Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, Cal., 1915.

Description, Pure rosy pink, six inches in diameter, sharp petals, long stems, light green foliage, early bloomer, very floriferous, fine keeper and does not show center.

Bulbs each \$.75. \$7.50 per dozen.

The "Manda" Collection

We have been fortunate in procuring from the originators, a limited number of some of the most wonderful dahlias in cultivation. This was proven at the National Dahlia Society Exhibition held in New York last September, where these novelties carried off the highest honors against thousands of existing varieties.

Albert Manda. The Largest Dahlia in existence. This immense novelty is nearly a foot in diameter with light green foliage, very stiff stem. The flowers are of the most beautiful shades of lemon, white and pink. Bulbs each, \$3.50

Mrs. W. L. Austin. The most distinct decorative variety in cultivation. The plant is of a very strong habit, with stout upright stems, supporting large perfectly double flowers of the deepest salmon orange color. A grand variety for any purpose. Price \$3.50.

Bohemian Garnet. Decorative variety, producing double extra large flowers on strong stems. The color is of the richest red maroon. Grand variety for exhibition purposes as well as a garden plant. Price \$3.00

Joseph Ehrlich. Decorative variety of the most striking color approaching a real blue. The purple blue color makes this a very desirable variety, either as a garden plant or for decorative purposes. Price \$3.00.

White Perfection. A Show type of dahlia, large well formed flower of white, daintily shaded with light pink. Plant has a fine sturdy habit, good foliage and stout stem. Very floriferous and useful variety for any purpose. Price \$2.00

Frank Manda. Decorative variety of sterling merit, both as a plant or cut flower. Of dwarf sturdy growth, the plant sends out innumerable stems, carrying medium sized flowers of the richest scarlet color. The flowers last a long time after being cut. Sometimes there are four full blooms on one stem. This variety should be in every collection. Price, \$2.50.

The entire collection of the above will be sent postpaid for \$15.00



The MANDA Collection No. 2.

Mrs. Alfred I. Dupont. One of the most extraordinary varieties in cultivation. Extra good habit beginning to flower very early in the season and continuing until frost. The foliage is luxuriant and the stems are strong and upright two feet in length, supporting an immense flower, perfectly double. The color is the brightest ruby-red showing scarlet under artificial light. Awarded First Prize for best 12 blooms of one variety at the American Dahlia Exhibition in New York Sept. 1916. Price Bulbs, \$2.50.

Mrs. Minnie Burgess. Strong upright flower with fine dark foliage, producing extraordinary large (110 flowers open at one time being counted at one time) bright scarlet flowers in the shape of the "D. Juarez" one of its parents. The best and most floriferous scarlet variety in cultivation that should be in every collection either as a plant or exhibition flower. Price \$2.50

South Orange Surprise. This variety forms quickly on extra large bush, with fair stems and quantity of well formed flowers of good size varying in color from the purist white, through all the shades of yellow, orange, bronze, or having two or three of the colors combined in one flower. Indispensable in any collection. It is very interesting to watch its development and to see quite often three flowers on one stem, each entirely distinct and different in color. Price \$2.00.

Joseph Manda. Strong free grower with ample foliage, and heavy stems supporting large perfectly double flowers, closely formed or broad petals of the brightest red color. Grand for exposition as well as useful variety for the garden. Price \$2.00.

Veronica Manda. Extremely dwarf grower and one of the most profuse flowering Dahlias in cultivation, growing only two or three feet in height, producing a carpet of flowers of medium size formed like a water lily and a beautiful lemon color shaded with rose at the tips. As a cut flower it lasts two weeks. A grand plant for any purpose. Price \$2.00.

Gertrude Manda. Very free grower sending out long graceful stems with medium size most beautiful formed flowers of the grandest peach blow shade of color imaginable and one of the best flowers for garden decoration. Price \$1.50.

This set of six most beautiful Dahlias will be sent post-paid any where in the United States for \$10.00



Cactus

Geo. Walters. This wonderful California seedling cactus dahlia is of light cream and amber shade, similar to Wodan, but a larger flower. It attracted great attention at Panama International Exposition Dahlia Exhibition where it received a medal for the best introduction 1915. We are fortunate in procuring this novelty for our customers. Stock very limited. Price \$3.00

Graphic. A very dark purple, distinctly tipped white, in-curved petal. Price \$1.00.

Glory of Wilts. A fine golden yellow, largest size and fine form. Price 75 cts.

Florrie Wells. An uncommon shade of rosy cerise. Very large and reliable. Price 75 cts.

Francis White. A pure White of distinct form, the long narrow petals being twisted. The flowers are very deep and never show center. Price 75 cts.

F. W. Fellows. A beautiful exhibition flower long petals, light range in color. Very free and of excellent habit.

Price \$1.00.

Emblem. A primrose shading to rose pink at the tips broad pointed petals very free flowers held above the foliage. Price 75 cts.

Extase. A great exhibition variety of largest size of a shade of mauve rose, with white center. Price \$1.00.

Directuer Quennac. A fine fawn colored flower with amber and copper shades, sometimes spotted with white. Price 50 cts.

Dragon D'Orr. A magnificent yellow deep of largest size. Petals are rather broad and each tip is split giving a distinct appearance. Price 75 cts.

Debutante. A beautiful soft shade of pink, shaded white; fine exhibition variety. Price 75 cts.

Dawn. Bright Yellow at base, deepening to cerise, very attractive. Price 35 cts.

Countess R. De Beauchamps. A lovely shade of rich amber, fine full flower fine stems, very early and free; one of the best for garden or exhibition. Price \$1.00.

C. H. Curtis. A rich Scarlet flower with long narrow florets. A good exhibition variety Price 50 cts.

Crystal. A splendid exhibition flower of large size and fine form. Long twisted and incurved, of the most beautiful silvery pink, shading to ivory white in the center. Price \$1.00.

Coronation. A very bright red; flowers freely and is a first class variety. Price 35 cts.

Brisbane. This is a very attractive flower and one that will be popular wherever grown. A fine orange scarlet incurved. Price 50 cts.

Breslau. A varigated novelty of merit. Plum colored with white tips. With cultivation this flower is one of the most effective on the exhibition table. Price \$1.00.

Arthur Picard. Beautiful light shade of pinkish salmon; flowers freely, produced on fine stems. Price 50 cts.

Armaudine Desliens. Bright pink with a mixture of yellow. A flower with large pointed petals Price 50 cts.

Yellow Hammer. This is a grand flower of bright primrose yellow, long tubular petals slightly incurved. Price 75 cts.

Walter Deigan. Rich fiery scarlet held erect on long wiry stems, very free and constant bloomer. Price 50 cts.

Walkure. A sulphur yellow, deepening to golden yellow in center. Immense flowers on vigorous plant of same habit as Woden. Price \$1.00.

Vater Rhien. An immense salmon-rose variety with golden center. One of the best. Petals broad and curled and twisted Price 50 cts.

Umque. Deep red tipped with pure white. The flowers are of great depth. Price \$1.00.

Thos Parkin. A deep orange of good habit: very large flower. Price 35 cts.

Susanna Cayeux. Enormous flowers of sulphur white, passing to a pure white at tips. Very floriferous. Price 75 cts.

Sov De Mme. F. Nogel. A grand flower of reddish maroon. The color is very attractive. Price \$1.00.

Simplicity. A delicate flesh pink, overlaid with lilac. An exceptional flower on fine stem. Price \$1.50.

Rene Millot. A fine exhibition variety of magnificent form. Heliotrope and white. Price \$1.00.

Rosea. This is one of the finest of the rose colored varieties Very free with good stem. Price \$1.00.

Ruby Grinsted. One of the best all round varieties. The center is soft yellow gradually deepening. A very free bloomer. Price 35 cts.

Redcoat. Bright glowing scarlet, flowers very large petals of great substance. A fine exhibition variety. Price \$1.00

Red Admiral. Rich scarlet, blooms of the largest size. Price 75 cts.

Pegasus. A fine fancy cactus, white shaded to pink speckled vermillion. Price \$1.00.

Parzival. Pure white, a splendid cut flower. Price 35 cts.

Olympic. A massive bloom, incurved of richest crimson shades. An exhibition flower of the highest quality. Price \$1.00

Nantwick. Of exceptionally strong habit and growth very floriferous of a light bronzy orange, shading deeper in the center, stiff stem. Price 75 cts.

Nellie Riding. Deep crimson, pure white tip equally good for exhibition or garden. Price 50 cts.

Nellie Hemsley. Deep maroon tipped white, an acquisition. Price 50 cts

New York. Rosy orange and salmon; one of the best exhibition blooms, narrow petals, incurved. Price 75 cts.

Mon R. Quentin Banchard. A very large full flower yellow tipped with white. Very distinct. Price \$1.50.

Mon J. Quentin Banchard. A beautiful rose colored flower, splashed and spotted with crimson. Price \$1.50.

Mad Butterfly. Flowers extra large, very attractive on account of the coloring of chocolate and white. Price 50 cts.

Meadow Gold. A large primrose, yellow, tinted with pink on outside petals, very free bloomers, fine stems. Price 35 cts.

Mrs. Warner. A fine exhibition variety of a white creamy and pink profusion. A wonderful stem which carries the bloom above the foliage. One of the best of the latest Holland introductions. Price \$1.00.

Mrs. Pearson. Fawn colored flowers shaded pink excellent free habit. Price \$1.00.

Mon. Gustave Beer. An immense red shaded copper at tips, free flowering on fine stems. Price \$1.00.

Mrs. Henry Randle. A magnificent variety medium size and beautifully incurved. The bud is creamy white which opens to a rosy tint as the bloom reaches maturity. One of the finest cut flowers grown. Price \$1.50.

John Riding. An ideal exhibition variety. Plants of sturdy growth producing a large incurved flower of deep rich crimson color. Price \$1.50.

Ivernier. One of the finest dahlias. Light salmon and amber, fine for exhibition. Price 35 cts.

H. H. Thomas. Large deep rich crimson petals, long and incurved. A fine exhibition variety. Price 50 cts.

Hubertus. A bright scarlet, one of the latest introductions. Fine stem. Price \$1.00.

Henry Lemoyne. A rich ruby red, tinted with rose, of immense size, of good form. Price 50 cts.

Grenadier. A dwarf growing plant of orange pink and very floriferous. Shape similar to Countess of Lonsdale. Price 35 cts

Gluckauf. Medium size sharp petals violet shading. A fine bedding variety. Price 25 cts.

RUTH FORBES



Originated 1900

A beautiful, clear pink without shading, the nearest approach to A. D. Livoni in color yet obtained. A strong, vigorous grower, producing its mammoth flowers in great abundance. For garden culture it occupies a prominent place, and for table decoration, especially under an artificial light it has no equal.

25 cents each, \$2.50 per dozen.

Decorative



Francis A. Butts

Grand Decorative Novelty, Our Own Introduction.

EXHIBITED AT PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION

Francis A. Butts. The seedling of great possibilities Am immense flower 7 to 8 inches in diameter on the longest stem of any dahlia in existence. These stems are over two feet long, without a leaf. The stems are very strong making this the best dahlia on the market for decorative purposes. The color is flesh white with a slight edge pure lavender. As the flower opens it bleaches to a pure white, making it a flower of great beauty. This novelty was grown and exhibited at the Panama-Pacific Exposition and was awarded a **SILVER MEDAL** by the Jury of Awards.

Of the thousands of seedling that we have grown, we consider this the best decorative seedling we have ever produced. Price 50 cts.

Ulyssee. A fine flower of darkest maroon. One of the best. Price 75 cts.

Titania. Reddish purple, immense flower. Price 75 cts.

Surpasse Collosse. An immense flower of scarlet carmine shade. The foliage is very attractive and the habit of plant is ideal. Price 50 cts.

Sov De ma Soeur. A fine light rose colored flower. fine for exhibition. Price 35 cts.

Rose Gem 1917. A beautiful flower delicate pink, stout stem, a good variety. Price \$2.00.

Offenboch. Clear yellow, petals slightly twisted, very long erect stem. Price 75 cts.

Oregon Beauty. A bright fiery scarlet. A gorgeous flower that attracts attention. Price 50 cts.

Mont Blanc. A free blooming, creamy white on good stems. One of the best cut flowers. Price 50 cts.

Mr. Constant Varin. Large size maroon with white tips. Price 35 cts.

Mlle. Marguerite De Blanc. An enormous white flower with cream center. Very large petals fine for decoration purposes. Price 75 cts.

Mlle. Marika Anogmostiki. White, shading to a beautiful pink; an excellent exhibition variety. Price 50 cts.

Meteore. A novelty of merit.

Meadow Gold. A large primrose yellow tinted with pink on the outer petals, very free and constant with fine stems. Price 50 cts.

Mad Devinat. A large flower of finest form, white tinged with flesh at tips. Price \$1.00.

Mad J. Martin. [Dec. like Chieftain] A bright yellow speckled with rose, a fine attractive bloom for any purpose. Price \$1.00.

Mayerbeer. This is one of the best varieties yet produced An immense flower of rosy crimson shadings, good habit and stem. Price \$1.00.

Louis Hariat. Lemon yellow blooms of immense size fine for exhibition. Price 50 cts.

Le Grand D'Anvers. Price \$1.00.

Zephlin. A shade of lilac lavender on fine stems. Sometimes comes open and makes a distinct peony flowered variety. Price 50 cts.

Kuppenberg Gold. A beautiful dahlia of rose and pink The flower is hard to describe, but when seen can always be remembered. Price 50 cts.

King of the Autumn. The shade is quite new, buff yellow and terra cotta, suffused through it. It is unique in color, while stem and foliage show great vigor. Price \$2.50.

Jhr. Burel. A large showy flower, buff yellow and bronze, grand stem. Price \$3.00.

Immense. A white, speckled with crimson variety which adds greatly to any exhibit. One of the very finest. Price 75 cts.

Harpon. A unique flower of citron yellow, spotted with red. Price 75 cts.

Hort Budde. Bright orange peony red. A fine cut flower. Price 50 cts.

J. M. Goodrich. A salmon flower of great beauty, large size, on long stem. A first class cut flower. Price 75 cts.

Great Britain. A deep mauve, perfect form and largest size. Price 75 cts.

Gov. Floyd. A beautiful fancy decorative dahlia ground color violet maroon striped and splashed white and light rose. The petals are of great texture. A wonderfully effective bloom. Price \$1.00.

Gabriel Delaon. A very dark maroon, nearly black, a large flower on good stem. Price 35 cts.

Flamingo. As a cut flower this has few equals, the blooms are held erect on stiff stems of a beautiful rose pink. Price 50 cts.

Fred Spittell. Terra cotta red and vermillion with white tips. Price 25 cts.

Commandant Rivoire. An immense bloom of brightest red. A grand exhibition variety. Price \$1.00.

Berg Van Heemstede. Pure yellow of largest size, very distinct, fine long stems. Price 75 cts.

Brema. A large rose colored flower with white center. Price 75 cts.

Aurore Borele. A magnificent flower, red and orange. Highly recommended. Price 75 cts.

Reunchen Von Tharan.

A. C. Ide. A medium size bloom on long strong stems of dark carmine red, a very good cut flower. Price 35 cts.

Argentis Fol Marginita. Rich silvery foliage with rosy purple flowers. A grand flower. Price \$1.00.



Peony Flowered

Reubens. A fine pink flower always reliable. Price 50 cts.

Rembrandt. A pure yellow, of great substance, fine stem. Price 50 cts.

Pink Gem. A very beautiful variety, rose pink fluted petals and very distinct. Price 50 cts.

Princess Mary. 1916. A vivid light pink margined blush. One of the showiest varieties in pink. It carries a mass of flowers on fine stems. Price \$2.50.

Painted Lady. Pale rose pink color, long stems, fine for cutting. Price 35 cts.

Nora Lindsey. One of the largest and most distinct varieties yet introduced, dove color, and pink. First class in every respect. Price 75 cts.

Nidin J. Cossard. Pure white growth, shaded rosy crimson. A Beauty. Price 50 cts.

Mod J. Martin. Yellow ground striped rosy crimson A most beautiful variety. Price 75 cts.

Mon. De Normandie. Yellow striped and splashed with scarlet. A fine flower. Price \$1.00.

Latona. A buff yellow, semi double flower of largest size. Price \$2.50.

Mrs. Fylink. 1916 Bright Scarlet, large size fine stem. Price \$1.00.

King Albert. 1916 A dark violet flower of great merit. A fine stem with blooms above the foliage. Price \$2.00.

Hertog Hendric. Soft dark red semi-double flowers long stems. A grand flower for cutting. Price 35 cts.

Geisha Superba. 1916. Golden orange, better than Geisha. Received award of merit at Holland Dahlia show. Price \$1.50.

Glory of Leiden. A very dark red of beautiful shade. Fine habit. Price \$1.50.

Fraulein Budde. Lilac rose, large and very showy. Price 75 cts.

Flamingo. A bright scarlet, very attractive. Medium size. Price 50 cts.

Fakkell. A large orange yellow, fine habit. Price \$1.00.

Electra. A color between blue and lilac, rich flowering on fine stem. Price 50 cts.

Emile Hooper. A very fine yellow. Price 35 cts.

Duchess of Brunswick. A brilliant red of largest size with the reverse of petals copper colored, flowers distinct. Price \$1.00.

Dr. Kuyper. Pure Orange, a fine flower. Price 50 cts.

Bloenhoven. A new variety of finest lilac shade. A splendid cut flower. Awarded First Class Certificate by Holland Dahlia Society. Peony. Price \$1.50

Anny Doppenburg. 1916. An immense sulphur yellow newest variety. Peony. Price \$1.50.

Zaumkonig. Bright crimson, extra large flower on good stem. Price 35 cts.



Show and Fancy

W. H. Williams. A scarlet of great merit. Show and fancy. Immense size. Price 50 cts.

Surpasse Collosse. Color, scarlet-Carmine, Flowers large. A grand exhibition variety. Price 35 cts.

M. Poiret Delans. Dark wine red, tipped with white. Very distinct. Price 75 cts.

Mrs. Gladstone. A delicate blush. One of the best show dahlias. Price 25 cts.

Nulli Secundus. A flower of especial merit yellow bordering on red.

Nina Nelson. A large exhibition variety of beautiful rose color. Price 50 cts.

Pius IX. A fine violet shade, a magnificent bloom. Price 75 cts.

Balzac. A superb variety of largest size d'une joolie tiente sang pourpre. Price \$1.00.

Sov De Ma Mere. Orange and Pink, very attractive. A very large flower. Price 50 cts.

Alice Grey. A fine white show dahlia tipped with lavender. Price 50 cts.

Rose. [Show] This is a fine flower, long stem. Each petal has an inside petal making the bloom very distinct; fine for cut flower or exhibition. Price 25 cts.

John R. Baldwin. A large salmon pink colored blooms, borne in great profusion. Price 35 cts.

Estelle Christy. The best lemon yellow show dahlia yet produced. A fine exhibition variety. Price \$1.00.

Duke of York. Fine lemon shaded with pink. Price 50 cts.

Duke of Fife. A beautiful rich cardinal. Price 50 cts.

Diamond. A pure white flower of the best habit. A splendid cut flower. Price 50 cts.

David Warfield. A large cherry red flower, good form and habit, a first class flower in every respect. Price 75 cts.

Comte de la Saux. Lilac striped crimson, an attractive variety. Price 50 cts.

Arthur Lafavour. An immense fancy variety, yellow speckled with crimson. Show and fancy dahlias. Price 35 cts.

POMPON DAHLIAS

There is still a great demand for the old fashioned pompon. These little beauties are superior in many ways to their big relatives, for they have the same colorings as the big show dahlias but are not so large or coarse. For cut flowers they are still unsurpassed, on account of their keeping qualities, and many florists are putting them forward for window displays and deco-

rative work. We have added a number of the most attractive and beautiful shades and feel confident that a dozen of these varieties will keep the house well supplied with flowers the entire season. These will be delivered at 15 cts. each or \$1.50 per doz.

Arthur Kelley. Dark carmine red.

Arthur West. Deep crimson, red fine form.

Cardinal. Beautiful scarlet.

Dainty. White with lilac on edges.

Edith Bryant. Red with yellow edge.

Effect. Beautiful scarlet.

Fire King. Bright scarlet.

Flora. Golden yellow.

Harry Smook. Rose, changing to white.

Hubert. Very dark red velvet color.

Janet. Fine salmon red.

Karmijin. Red.

Mildred. Beautiful pink with dark underground.

Nemesis. Red with white edges.

Peacemaker. Pure white.

Acchilles. Base of petals flesh tipped pink.

Amber Queen. Rich clear amber, shaded apricot, extra free.

Gold Sphere. Crimson with golden back.

Henrietta. Yellow tipped with crimson.

Hilda Searle. Orange scarlet.

Jarosky. Yellow and white.

Little Price. Primrose yellow.

May Clift. Light maroon.

Madeline. Primrose edged rose purple.

Mars. Scarlet.

Prince Charming. Cream tipped, white.

Purity. Pure White.

Sunbeam. Crimson Scarlet.

Winifred. White tipped lavender.

Perfect Light. Light yellow with crimson on edges.

Puppenfee. Pure white of great beauty.

Starlight. Pure silver white.

Sunset. Beautiful shade of orange.

SINGLE VARIETY

The Bride. The most gorgeous white single Dahlia in existence. 5 to 6 inches in diameter on stems 18 inches long. A grand cut flower. Price 50 cts.

These three fine singles will be sent post-paid for \$1.00.

Newport Jewel. Crimson single to those who admire single flowers, this cannot fail to please. Brightest crimson, fine stem and keeping qualities. Price 50 cts.

Mary Elizabeth. Yellow single. This is the best single of its color. Very fine stem and bloom of largest sizes. Price 50cts.

Special Offers Post-paid. Our Selection.

For the benefit of those who are not familiar with the names and classes of our dahlias, we wish to place at their disposal these collections.

Collection A. For \$1.00 we will send one bulb of the following classes, Cactus, Decorative Peony, show single and pompon. [Named varieties all labeled.

Collection B. For \$2.50 we will send 12 Cactus, Decorative or Peony, show or single, or 24 mixed varieties for \$4.50.

Collection C. For \$5.00 we will send 12 cactus of superior varieties including Denison and Hattie P. Wirth and Kaliff.

Collection D. For \$7.50 we will send 25 Cactus Decorative, Peony and show, stock listing at \$9.00 in catalogue.

Collection E. For \$10.00 we will send a collection of 36 named varieties of superior merit, including Denison, Francis A. Butts, Kaliff, Minnie Burgle, Hortulans Feit and Hattie P. Wirth.